

REMARKS:

Further consideration of the subject application in light of the remarks that follow is respectfully requested. Claims 1-49 are pending, wherein Claims 1-49 are subject to a restriction requirement. Claims 1-49 are alleged to represent two (2) separate inventions. Examiner has divided the claims into the following two groups:

Group I, Claims 1-28 drawn to a polymerization process, classified in class 526, subclass 160; and

Group II, Claims 29-49 drawn to a polymer, classified in class 526, subclass 348.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. §121

In compliance with the Examiner's requirement pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121, Applicant hereby elect to prosecute Group II, Claims 29-49, with traverse. This election is being made without prejudice to Applicant's rights with respect to Claims 1-28, including the right to file divisional applications thereon. Accordingly, Claims 1-28 are hereby withdrawn from further consideration.

Applicant respectfully submits that the restricted species are within the same field of search, and examination of the claims as filed would expedite prosecution without requiring an unreasonable amount of additional search time. Therefore, examination of the claims as filed does not represent an undue burden.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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